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C O N F I D E N T I A L PHNOM PENH 1259

E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: ABF ON PHNOM PENH

1. APPROXIMATELY 60 ROUNDS 105MM FELL ON PHNOM PENH'S SOUTHERN QUARTER AND SOUTHEAST OF POCHENTONG AIRFIELD IN VICINITY OF VT 901753 BETWEEN 262030 AND 262230 GOLF JAN 74. THERE ARE NO CONFIRMED REPORTS ON CIVILIAN CASUALTIES.

2. MANY CIVILIANS WERE SEEN EVACUATING THE AREA AS THE RESULT OF UNCONFIRMED REPORTS OF AN ENEMY PRESENCE IN VICINITY OF VT 905740.

3. TERRITORIAL TROOPS ARE IN POSITION ON THE PERIMETER DIKE AT SOUTHERN EDGE OF CITY. GENDARMES ARE IN THE AREA FROM WHICH THE CIVILIANS FLED. NO ENEMY HAVE BEEN FOUND BY THE TERRITORIALS OR BY THE GENDARME. THERE IS NO FIRING IN THE AREA. IT APPEARS THAT THE FLIGHT OF THE LOCAL INHABITANTS WAS CAUSED
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BY THE ARTILLERY IMPACTING, AND RUMORS THAT THE ENEMY WAS

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COMING. THE PHNOM PENH MILITARY SUB-DIVISION COMMANDER BELIEVES FLIGHT MAY HAVE BEEN PROVOKED BY AGENTS PROVOCATEURS. MOVEMENT OF POPULATION FROM THE AREA HAS CEASED. ENEMY ARTILLERY FIRE HAS TERMINATED AND CITY COOLING DOWN. (0100 HOURS GOLF).

4. BELIEVE ALL OFFICIAL PERSONNEL AND PROPERTY ARE SAFE. WILL CONTINUE FOLLOW CLOSELY, AND WILL REPORT MORE FULLY WHEN RESULTS ARE TALLIED BY FANK EMG.
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